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TO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: RECRUITMENT OF AMERICAN GIRLS FOR BEIRUT

REF: BEIRUT 8004

1. DEPARTMENT HAS ANSWERED NUMBER OF INQUIRIES RE BASHAWATY PROJECT, DRAWING ON INFO CONTAINED REFTTEL. DETROIT INTERVIEWER FOR BASHAWATY HAS FURNISHED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PROJECT AND ASKED THAT IT BE CHECKED OUT WITH EMBASSY SOONEST SO THAT WE WOULD HAVE MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO GO ON.

2. PROJECT CONSISTS OF DRIVE-IN MOVIE, AMERICAN TYPE SNACK BAR, RESTAURANT, AND "QUICKIE" COCKTAIL LOUNGE BEING BUILT IN JOUNIE ABOVE CASINO. DEVELOPMENT IS FAMILY AFFAIR CONSISTING OF BROTHERS ABRAHAM ABDULLA BASHAWATY (NOW RECRUITING IN STATES) AND KHALIL BASHAWATY, APPARENTLY LOOKING AFTER ENTERPRISE IN BEIRUT. INTERVIEWER HAD NO ADDRESS FOR KHALIL BASHAWATY AND DID NOT KNOW WHETHER OR NOT PROJECT HAD BEEN INCORPORATED YET. BASHAWATY FAMILY  
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LIVES IN DEDEH-EL-KOURA, SOUTH OF TRIPOLI.

3. INTERVIEWER SAYS PROPOSED CONTRACTS ARE FOR SIX MONTHS WITH PAY OF FORTY DOLLARS PER WEEK PLUS TIPS. GIRLS WILL

BE PROVIDED DOUBLE-ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS, ONE MEAL PER DAY (ON THE JOB), AND GROUP HOSPITALIZATION PLAN AT "AMERICAN HOSPITAL IN JOUNIE." ROUND-TRIP TICKET WILL BE PROVIDED, BUT RETURN PORTION TO BE UNDER CONTROL OF BASHAWATY TO ENSURE GIRLS STAY FULL SIX MONTHS. INTERVIEWER SAYS GIRLS WILL BE FREE IN OFF-HOURS, BUT THIS, AND PERHAPS SOME OTHER TERMS, IS NOT STATED IN CONTRACT.

4 DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY SEARCHING OUT ANY INFO AVAILABLE ON THIS PROJECT. WE CONTINUE RECEIVE CALLS FROM APPLICANTS AND WISH GIVE AS ACCURATE PICTURE AS POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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